[Mr M. N. Pillai.]

Transfer of Magisterial Jurisdiction over certain pakuthies in the Minachil taluk to the Stationary Magistrate's Court at Ettumanur.

132. MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY : (*a*) Are the Government aware of the hardship caused to the people of the *pakuthies* of Minachil, Ramapuram, Lalam and Pulianur, by transferring the magisterial jurisdiction of the said *pakuthies* to the Stationary Magistrate's Court at Ettumanur ?

(*b*) Have the Government noticed that the Minachil Magistrate has no magisterial jurisdiction over the Lalam *pakuthi* where his court is situated ?

(*c*) Have not the people of the said *pakuthies* requested Government to fix a time for a deputation to represent their grievances ?

(*d*) Have they not also sent a memorial to the Government regarding the matter ?

(*e*) Do the Government propose to take any steps to redress their grievances ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) No.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The matter will be looked into.

Police Constables in Uniform without Numbers.

133. MR. M. N PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken in punishing the constables who were found without numbers on the 5th, 6th and 7th Kanni, 1097, and the officer or officers who were responsible in ordering the constables to remove their numbers when they were in uniform ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR : It is reported that no constables appeared in uniform without numbers on the 7th Kanni, 1097. The constables who appeared in uniform without numbers on the 5th and the 6th Kanni cannot now be identified, but the officers on account of whose laxity those constables so appeared have been punished.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : I want to know who were the constables on duty on that day.

PRESIDENT : The answer is already there, *viz.*, that it is reported that the constables could not be identified by the officers on duty on that day.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : Who are the officers punished ?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR : The papers are confidential.

MR. M. N. PILLAI : Are Government not aware that some of the constables of the Cantonment Station on duty on that day without

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